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JUDICIAL BRANCH RECOGNIZES NATIONAL "LAW DAY" MAY 1ST

The Judicial Branch debuts a new web page with resources for teachers and students to support a deeper understanding of the role of the courts in preserving the rule of law.

May 1, 2023, Augusta, Maine. The Maine Judicial Branch announced today that, in honor of Law Day 2023, it is expanding resources on the Judicial Branch website to help teachers, students, and the public learn more about Maine courts.

"Maine's third branch of government — the Judicial Branch — is critical to preserving and strengthening our democratic institutions and the rule of law," said Supreme Court Chief Justice Valerie Stanfill. "As part of activities to commemorate this year's National Law Day, we are spotlighting some of our educational efforts on a new web page for teachers, students, and the public. We believe that the more knowledge students and the public have about how our courts operate, the greater confidence they will have in our mission of providing access to justice and promoting the peaceful and productive resolution of disputes."

"The Judicial Branch has for many years participated in outreach and educational activities with Maine high schools, community groups, and other organizations. We are compiling these activities and other resources on our website to make them more visible and accessible," said Judicial Branch State Court Administrator Amy Quinlan. "We hope to continue to expand these resources in the coming months."

Learn more about this year's National Law Day theme, "Cornerstones of Democracy: Civics, Civility, and Collaboration," and view the Information for Students & Teachers page at: https://www.courts.maine.gov/info/students.html.

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